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BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD – INFORMATION ITEM DECEMBER 1, 2016

PRIORITIES OF THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD FOR THE 2017 CALENDAR YEAR

On October 8, 2016, the Behavioral Health Advisory Board (BHAB) held a Fall Retreat where each BHAB Member was asked to state a priority issue for consideration in 2017. On November 3, 2016, BHAB was provided the complete list of priorities shared by all members and voted on their Top 3 with the goal of narrowing down to the top three priorities with two alternates.

The final priorities for 2017 are as follows:

Top 3 priorities

1. Continued expansion of PERT services
2. Identify gaps and weaknesses in the entire continuum of care with specific focus on crisis services and long-term care services
3. Monitor the implementation of Laura's Law/Assisted Outpatient Treatment

Alternate priorities (tie)

4. More focus on prevention with more opportunities to address mental health/alcohol and other drug (AOD) issues with added support for school-aged children
5. ~~Start discussions to prepare for Prop 64, if it passes~~ Address the impact of Prop 64 passing (legalization of marijuana)
6. Address gaps in mental health services to adults and increase supportive housing to individuals with mental illness
7. Monitor the impact of the assisted suicide initiative